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Energy Contracting and the Hidden Power of the Force Majeure Clause

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What is force majeure, and how might it impact an energy deal? In this video, Troutman Pepper Partners Brian Fineman and William Droze discuss key considerations — from risk allocation and assumptions to dispute resolution and reputation management.

- Defining force majeure and its application in the energy sector.
- The importance of force majeure and responding to a claim.
- Mitigating risk when faced with force majeure.
- Contracting strategies for optimal results.
- Reputational risk, optics, and third-party considerations.
- How to approach a force majeure claim.
- The value of legal advice when a force majeure is claimed.
- Risk allocation and the value of legal advice when contracting.
- Avoiding litigation and the litigation landscape.

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